

On Sunday, July 15, 2001, the first meeting of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Energy Partnership Board was held at the NARUC Summer Meeting in Seattle, Washington. The Department of Energy Acting Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy, Robert Kripowicz opened the meeting with remarks welcoming the formation of this innovative Board that will further open the energy marketplace to new reliable sources of gas supply and other energy resources. The Board will work with energy decision-makers in the public and private sector to increase access to, and competition in, the energy marketplace. Also representing the federal government on the Board will be William Lewis Jr., the Acting Director of the DOE Office of Economic Impact and Diversity and Ronald Langston, Director of the Department of Commerce Minority Business Development Agency.

The President of NARUC, Mr. Bill Nugent, Chairman of the Maine Public Service Commission, was present at this path breaking first meeting of the Energy Partnership Board. Also attending were commissioners from several states including Kentucky, Florida, California and Connecticut in addition to representatives from Women and Minority businesses enterprises in the oil and gas markets and industry representatives from Semptra and NIPSCO.

Of special and immediate concern to the Board will be developing market based initiatives for regulated utilities to purchase natural gas from women and minority-owned business enterprises (WMBE). These initiatives will be developed during a series of "Regional Dialogues" to be held around the country over the next few months. The Dialogues will be open to the public and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

For more information about the Energy Partnership Board, as well as a complete listing of the Board's members, and information about the date and location of upcoming Regional Dialogues, contact Peter Lagiovane at 202-586-8116 or via email at: peter.lagiovane@hq.doe.gov

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